

The Gaston County Board of Education will hold its regular monthly meeting on Monday, December 19, 2016, 5:30 p.m., at the Gaston County Schools Central Office, 943 Osceola Street, Gastonia. At that time, the Board will . . .

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portunity for Public Expression. At each Board meeting, the public has an opportunity to address the Board.

for December 2016:

1. **Chris Turner**, a senior at **Bessemer City High School**, earned a full scholarship to attend Brown University. The scholarship is valued at more than \$270,000. He plans to study engineering or physics.
2. **Ashbrook High School** senior was honored as a 2016 Carolina Panthers Community Captain. The program identifies outstanding student-athletes who are also involved in community service. He was one of 10 students from across the Carolinas who were recognized at a Panthers game, and the Panthers gave a \$500 g
3. **H.H. Beam Elementary** student **Destiny Taylor** and **Chapel Grove Elementary** student **Skyler Chastaine** were honored by  
  
apprehend a felon. The girls provided the officers with information that helped them locate the suspect. The department
4. **Gaston County Schools** instructional technology facilitators **Sandra Engbarth**, **Aundrea Jenkins** and **Lisa Montgomery**, and **Mount Holly Middle School** teacher **Heather Wilson** were selected to participate in the Digital Leaders Coaches Network, an eight-month professional learning program. They will join 194 other digital learning leaders from across the state to study strategies for education technology. The program is conducted by the Friday Institute for Educational Innovation at N.C. State University.
5. Students at **W.B. Beam Intermediate** raised more than \$1,800 for the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. By exceeding

24. Students at **Holbrook Middle School** teamed up with Speed Street Collision Center and collected money to purchase grocery store gift cards for families in need.
25. **McAdenville Elementary** second graders were visited by author and former Gaston County teacher Lola Brooks. She  
  
students and talked with them about the importance of self-esteem and the work of a published author.
26. The **McAdenville Elementary** in the North Carolina First Lego League State Championship.
27. The **North Belmont Elementary** safety patrol and Girls on the Run team held a joint campaign to collect cans and other non-perishable items for S.O.C.K.S, a crisis assistance organization in Belmont. The students collected 1,434 items and more than 1,000 pounds of food.
28. **North Gaston High School** was one of only 48 schools in the